

**2008 Sanctuary Advisory Council
Chair and Coordinator Meeting
Newport News, VA
May 12 – 15, 2008**

- Case Study Guidelines –

Introduction:

- ❖ Regional directors will work with the sanctuary superintendents, council coordinators and councils in each region to identify a single case study to be presented from the region.
- ❖ One council chair from the selected site or region will conduct the presentation at the meeting.
- ❖ Site staff will be available to assist with development of the case study presentation.
- ❖ The council coordinator and the regional director will also be on hand to field questions for the discussion portion following the case study presentation.

Guidelines for Case Studies:

- ❖ Case studies should address one major issue or project faced by the council or councils within the region in the past two years.
- ❖ The presentation should provide specifics about council/councils involvement in the issue and final outcomes.
- ❖ The presentation should emphasize lessons-learned.
- ❖ Each region is allotted a total of thirty minutes; fifteen minutes of that time should be open for questions and discussion.

Case Study Framework:

- ❖ Describe the issue or project tackled by your council/councils.
- ❖ Describe the actions taken by the council/councils.
- ❖ Describe the decision made or action taken by the sanctuary superintendent, regional director and/or NMSP director.
- ❖ Detail any lessons learned.
- ❖ Highlight “cross-pollination” potential. (see below)

Topic Selection:

- ❖ The theme is “cross-pollination” of councils and issues within the regions, so topics selected should connect to or highlight the theme.
- ❖ The case studies will set the stage for further discussion on identification of common opportunities, collaborations, projects and improvements during regional breakouts.
- ❖ Discussion during regional breakouts may even go a step further, proposing mechanisms (regional chairs meetings, regional councils, national council, etc) that might facilitate cross-pollination within and between regions.